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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, FBIS  
THROUGH : Chief, Operations Group  
SUBJECT : Monthly Report - Bangkok Bureau - July 1978

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## I. OPERATIONS

### A. Monitorial/Editorial

1. The continuing Vietnam-Cambodia dispute and the PRC-Vietnam contretemps over the issue of ethnic Chinese in Vietnam highlighted the month, which also saw the visit to Thailand of Cambodian Deputy Premier and Foreign Minister Ieng Sary, an event which generated considerable reportage and comment in the Thai press.
2. With Headquarters concurrence, the bureau late in the month discontinued its weekly editorial reports on Vietnam's pickups of world comment on its disputes with Cambodia and the PRC. Significant and representative comment on the issue will of course continue to be filed.
3. Also with Headquarters concurrence, the bureau suspended its regular coverage of the NHAN DAN Giffit facsimile. It will be covered on an ad hoc basis for important events such as the Vietnamese Communist Party congress and the scheduled 8 August opening of Vietnamese-Chinese talks in Hanoi. The regular coverage was suspended on 27 July after requirements were met for a project involving comparison with recordings of the facsimile transmission made in Jakarta by a government contractor.
4. A signed two-month contract for Bombay PTI's English-language press agency service was received during the month, with regular coverage to begin on 1 August. Recommendation on continuation of service will be made sometime in September.
5. The Cruising Unit files and the bulk of cruising operations were moved into Miami on 4 July. About one third of the cruising operation--mostly involving weaker stations-- will continue to be centered in Bang Ping.

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